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August 29, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 3
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes for the following construction contract:

Project ID No. RDC0014335 - Sound Wall No. 64, vicinity of East Los Angeles (1), Peterson Chase General Engineering Construction, Inc., in amount of \$66,826.66.

Project ID No. RDC0014663 - Las Flores Canyon Road 130 Feet North of Culvert Marker 1.94, vicinity of Malibu (3), Buso Constructors, Inc., in amount of \$15,500.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

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The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0014335 and RDC0014663.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of these changes in work, which are necessary to satisfactorily complete the projects, is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since the improved infrastructure will better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated change order amount for these contracts are \$15,500.00 and \$66,826.66.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014335, SOUND WALL NO. 64 (in the vicinity of
East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1,
Contractor: Peterson Chase General Engineering Construction, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a soundwall and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$ 5,760.10)
(2) Additional Pavement	12,207.80
(3) Unclassified Excavation	12,949.36
(4) Transportation and Disposal of ADL Contaminated Soil	30,000.00
(5) Relocate and Remove Obstructions	9,094.10
(6) Relocation of Waterline	<u>8,335.50</u>
Total	<u>\$66,826.66</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) To mitigate possible drainage problems, Caltrans requested to extend the limit of freeway paving. This work is not shown on the plans. We will seek reimbursement from Caltrans for this additional work.

(3) It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the unclassified excavation work needed to construct the sound wall. The contract documents did not include a pay item for this work.

(4) During construction, we discovered aerially deposited lead in some areas of soil were higher than the State of California standards. Therefore, it will be necessary to properly dispose of this soil and compensate the contractor for the added costs.

(5) Your Board previously approved a change in work to relocate traffic equipment and remove buried obstructions. The cost of this work will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.

(6) Your Board previously approved a change in work to remove an existing irrigation line that interfered with construction and install a new line after construction of the sound wall. The cost of this work will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 will be based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 3 and 4 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 5 and 6 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$598,796.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	23,502.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>66,826.66</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$689,124.66</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014663, LAS FLORES CANYON ROAD 130 FEET NORTH OF CULVERT MARKER 1.94 (in the vicinity of Malibu), Supervisorial District 3,
Contractor: Buso Constructors, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a soldier-pile retaining wall, concrete barrier, and guardrail and reconstruction of existing roadway pavement.

Changes in Work:

(1) Office Facilities	\$ 9,000.00
(2) Pile Extension	<u>6,500.00</u>
Total	<u>\$15,500.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) Due to the remote location of the project site and the four-month contract duration, it will be necessary to have the contractor provide office facilities for inspection staff. The contract specifications do not provide for office facilities.

(2) It will be necessary to extend several piles to complete the project in accordance with the intent of the plans. The contractor will be compensated for the added costs of welding the extensions.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Twenty additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,934,580.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>15,500.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,950,080.00</u>

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